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DISEASES IN COCONUT PLANTATIONS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the Agricultural Research Organisations dealing with development of coconut plantation;

(b) whether the research has been under taken to identify disease in coconut Plantations;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether an assessment is likely to be done on the utility of such organisations dealing with research in coconut plantations; and

(f) if so, the time by which such a survey of these organisations is likely to be done?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Central Plantation Crops Research Institute, Kasargod, Kerala Agricultural University, Trissur and Centres under All India Coordinated Research Project on Palms located at Ambajipeta (AP), Aliyarnagar and Veppakulam (TN), Arsikere (Karnataka), Jagdalpur (MP), Kahikuchi (Assam), Konark (Orissa), Mandouri (W.B.) and Ratnagiri (Maharashtr) are engaged in research and development of coconut plantation.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Major diseases of coconut has already been identified. The effective control measures are available for all the major diseases like Bud rot, Stem bleeding, Ganoderma wilt, Leaf rot and Crown Choking.For coconut root (wilt) disease in Kerala, effectrive management practices have been formulated for ameliorating the ill effects of the disease and for improving productivity. Disease tolerant palms have been identified for further use in development of disease tolerant lines.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) & (f) There is an in built mechanism for review through Quinquennial Review Team at every 5 yearly interval for assessing the performance of research institutes of ICAR and Centres under All India Coordinated Research Projects.